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SUBJECT: JUNE 1 PRESS ROUNDUP

1. BERNARD WEINRAUB IN JUNE 1 NEW YORK TIMES SAID U.S. SOON
"WILL QUIETLY PASS NEW -- AND COMPLICATING -- MILESTONE IN
ARMS RACE BY DEPLOYING MORE ACCURATE AND POWERFUL WARHEAD
CAPABLE OF DESTROYING SOVIET MISSILES IN THEIR SILOS."
WEINRAUB SAID AIR FORCE IN OCTOBER WILL START INSTALLING
IMPROVED GUIDANCE SYSTEM IN ITS MINUTEMAN-THREE LAND-BASED
MISSILE FORCE, AND IN 1979 NEW AND POWERFUL 12A WARHEAD
WILL BE PLACED ATOP EACH MISSILE. NEW WARHEAD, WEINRAUB
SAID, WILL HAVE 80 PERCENT CHANCE OF DESTROYING ANY
HARDENED TARGET, IN CONTRAST WITH 20 PERCENT "KILL PROBA-
BILITY" OF CURRENT WARHEAD. WEINRAUB POINTED OUT THAT
ALTHOUGH ACDA DIRECTOR WARNKE HAS SAID 12A WAS POTENTIALLY
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DESTABILIZING FACTOR, HE EXPRESSED HOPE THAT AGREEMENT
COULD BE REACHED ON NEW ARMS TREATY BEFORE WARHEAD WAS DE-
PLOYED. "WHAT HAS DISQUIETED SOVIET UNION -- AS WELL AS
AMERICAN CRITICS OF PENTAGON'S PLAN TO DEPLOY 12A -- IS
FEAR THAT REFITTED MINUTEMAN-THREE MISSILE WOULD SERVE AS
DESTABILIZING FORCE THAT WOULD ACCELERATE ARMS RACE,"
WEINRAUB SAID. "PENTAGON OFFICIALS AND SOME LIBERALS SAY

THAT IMPROVING AMERICAN CAPACITY MATCHES GROWING SOVIET STRENGTH AND THAT FAILURE BY U.S. TO DEPLOY NEW MISSILE WOULD 'HOBBLE' WHATEVER BALANCE U.S. RETAINS IN STRATEGIC ARMS." WEINRAUB SAID DEPLOYMENT ISSUE HAS STIRRED SOME DEBATE, BUT BREAKTHROUGH -- AND ITS POTENTIAL NEGATIVE IMPACT ON ARMS LIMITATION -- "HAS FAILED SO FAR TO GENERATE SUBSTANTIAL OPPOSITION IN CONGRESS." HE SAID "IT IS UNCLEAR NOW, IF AT ALL, PLANNED DEPLOYMENT OF 12A WARHEAD WOULD BE AFFECTED BY ADOPTION OF VARIOUS STRATEGIC ARMS PROPOSALS ADVANCED BY CARTER ADMINISTRATION."

2. FLORA LEWIS IN JUNE 1 NEW YORK TIMES SAID FRANCE HAS DECIDED TO HOLD UP ITS CONTROVERSIAL SALE OF NUCLEAR PLANT TO PAKISTAN, TENDING TO ISOLATE WEST GERMANY "WHICH HAS RELUCTANTLY AGREED TO ONLY A SHORT PAUSE IN ITS DECISION TO SELL REPROCESSING PLANT TO BRAZIL." LEWIS REPORTED THAT "SENIOR AMERICAN OFFICIALS SAID DESPITE PRESIDENT CARTER'S EFFORTS THEY NOW BELIEVED THERE WAS PROBABLY NO WAY THAT DEAL BETWEEN GERMANY AND BRAZIL COULD BE HEADED OFF."

3. ARMED FORCES JOURNAL INTERNATIONAL, IN JUNE ISSUE, SAID NEW YORK TIMES GAVE "BUM RAP" TO WARNKE IN COLUMN BY WILLIAM SAFIRE CHARGING ACDA DIRECTOR HAD DEVELOPED "HIT LIST" OF ACDA STAFFERS TO EJECT, OSTENSIBLY BECAUSE OF THEIR HARD-LINE LEADINGS. AS FOR "HIT LIST," JOURNAL SAID "THERE IS NOT ONE." IN FACT, WARNKE HAS BENT OVER BACKWARDS TO AVOID IMPRESSION THAT HE IS FIRING PEOPLE WHOLESALE, JOURNAL ADDED. JOURNAL ALSO SAID WARNKE REORGANIZED UNCLASSIFIED

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ACDA AFTER INTENSIVE STUDY AND DISCUSSION, INCLUDING INPUT FROM FORD ADMINISTRATION HOLDOVERS IN ACDA. MAGAZINE QUOTED ACDA PROFESSIONALS AS SAYING WARNKE IS "DEAD SERIOUS ON VERIFICATION." MAGAZINE SAID "SENIOR STAFF APPRAISAL OF WARNKE AFTER THREE MONTHS: SERIOUS ABOUT ARMS CONTROL, NOT AN IDEOLOGUE, ALSO FLEXIBLE, DETERMINED ON VERIFICATION, NOT WHAT THEY EXPECTED. THEY CONCLUDE THAT WARNKE WAS CARICATURED AS SOFT ON VERIFICATION IN MEDIA DURING HIS HEARINGS, AND HAS RECEIVED UNJUSTIFIED BUM RAPS IN PRESS SINCE."

4. WASHINGTON POST ON JUNE 1 SAID RUSSIA'S LATEST TEST OF SATELLITE-DESTROYING WEAPON, CONDUCTED DESPITE APPEAL FROM PRESIDENT CARTER FOR BAN ON SUCH WEAPONS, APPARENTLY ENDED IN FAILURE, U.S. INTELLIGENCE SOURCES BELIEVE. SOVIET INTERCEPTOR SATELLITE WENT PAST ITS TARGET AT DISTANCE OF LESS THAN 50 MILES IN MAY 23 TEST, RUSSIA'S FIRST IN ABOUT FIVE MONTHS.

5. CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR IN JUNE 1 EDITORIAL SAID
APPOINTMENT OF GERARD SMITH TO LEAD HIGH-LEVEL NEGOTIATIONS
ON NUCLEAR COOPERATION AGREEMENTS SHOWS PRESIDENT MEANS
BUSINESS ON NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION. MONITOR SAID SMITH IS
KNOWLEDGEABLE AND EXPERIENCED NEGOTIATOR AND "MOST IM-
PORTANTLY, HE IS STRONGLY COMMITTED TO DISARMAMENT."

6. AVIATION WEEK IN MAY 30 ISSUE QUOTED DEFENSE SECRETARY
BROWN AS SAYING COST OF MAINTAINING U.S. STRATEGIC FORCE
BALANCE WITH SOVIET UNION WILL RISE BY ONE TO TWO BILLION
DOLLARS IF THERE IS NO SALT AGREEMENT. MAGAZINE SAID
"OUTCOME OF SALT TALKS THUS WILL HAVE DIRECT BEARING ON
BROWN'S PROJECTED DEFENSE BUDGET CUTS OF ABOUT 15 BILLION
DOLLARS OVER FIVE YEARS." CHRISTOPHER

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